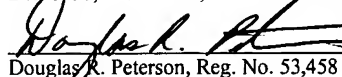


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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office action mailed June 28, 2007, the response for which is due September 28, 2007. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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